

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented) A solid pharmaceutical composition suitable for the oral delivery of a pharmacologically active agent comprising
 - a. a therapeutically-effective amount of a pharmacologically active agent;
 - b. a crospovidone or povidone; and
 - c. a delivery agent for said pharmacologically active agent.
2. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the active agent is a peptide.
3. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 2 wherein the peptide is a calcitonin.
4. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 3 wherein the calcitonin is salmon calcitonin.
5. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 comprising crospovidone.
6. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the delivery agent is 5-CNAC.
7. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the delivery agent is the disodium salt of 5-CNAC.
8. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 which additionally includes a diluent.
9. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 8 wherein the diluent is microcrystalline cellulose.
10. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 1 which additionally includes a lubricant.
11. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 10 wherein the lubricant is magnesium stearate.
12. (withdrawn) A method for enhancing the oral bioavailability of a pharmacologically active agent, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of a pharmacologically active agent, an effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1.

13. (withdrawn) A method of treatment of bone related diseases and calcium disorders comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a composition according to claim 1, wherein said pharmacologically active agent is calcitonin.
14. (withdrawn) A method according to claim 13 wherein said calcitonin is salmon calcitonin.
15. (previously presented) A solid pharmaceutical composition suitable for the oral delivery of a pharmacologically active agent comprising:
 - a. salmon calcitonin;
 - b. crospovidone;
 - c. 5-CNAC;
 - d. optionally, microcrystalline cellulose; and
 - e. optionally, magnesium stearate.
16. (new) A solid pharmaceutical composition according to claim 15 wherein
 - a. the salmon calcitonin comprises from 0.05-70% by weight relative to the total weight of the overall pharmaceutical composition;
 - b. the crospovidone or povidone comprises from 0.5-5% by weight relative to the total weight of the overall pharmaceutical composition; and
 - c. the 5-CNAC is present in an amount of 2.5-99.4% by weight relative to the total weight of the overall pharmaceutical composition.